# **SPRING CLASSES**

### April, May, June 2001 Performance Development - HR

### **Supervisory Skills Courses**

### The Supervisory Role in Managing Employee Issues (HR643)

This course provides supervisors with a clear understanding of the laws governing the workplace and the necessary skills to handle difficult employee issues .

You will benefit by: learning how to effectively manage

issues such as poor performance, excessive absenteeism, misconduct, safety violations, sexual harassment, fitness for duty and union issues. You will also learn the importance of proper documentation and the application of corrective action. Argonne-specific case examples are used to reinforce key concepts.

**Schedule:** This course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: Supervisors, managers, group leaders and foremen

**Format:** Video, group discussion and facilitated case studies presented by HR Employee Relations, Performance Development, and the Diversity Program Office

Cost: No cost to division

#### Performance Management (HR561)

This course provides supervisors with the essential communication tools to more effectively manage, document and influence the performance of employees. **You will benefit by**: developing employee performance objectives that are specific, consistent, timely and attainable, documenting performance based on behavioral anchors, writing performance appraisals based on specific, observable behavior, and conducting effective performance reviews.

**Schedule:** Wednesday, June 13, 1:00-4:30 p.m. in Building 201, Room 190

Who Should Attend: Supervisors, managers, group leaders and foremen

**Format:** Video, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance Development

Cost: No cost to division

# Coaching For Maximum Performance (HR634)

This course helps supervisors refine the skills required to deliver positive feedback to increase employee productivity and maximize performance and to counsel direct reports through the application of corrective feedback. You will benefit by: identifying the causes of poor employee performance, developing a clearer understanding of employee behavior and values, planning and conducting a practice coaching session, and preparing for a coaching session to be conducted with one of your direct reports.

**Schedule:** This half-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: Supervisors, managers, group leaders and foremen

**Format:** Video, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance Development

Cost: \$25 for participant materials

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#### Leadership & Motivation (HR641)

Through this course participants develop an understanding of leadership as a process of influencing the behavior of others and learn how to apply a motivation model to create an atmosphere conducive to encouraging employee motivation. **You will benefit by**: analyzing the characteristics of leadership, applying a motivation model to create a work environment that fosters highlymotivated employees, understanding that employee motivation is internal to each individual employee, and increasing your personal motivation.

**Schedule:** Thursday, May 31, 12:00-5:00 p.m. in

Building 201, Room 190

Who Should Attend: Supervisors, managers, group leaders and foremen

**Format:** Video, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance Development

Cost: \$25 for participant materials

# Introduction to Team Building for New Supervisors (HR631)

In this course supervisors are introduced to collaborative strategies and skills for one-on-one and team relationships. The course focuses on developing openness and trust, valuing individual strengths and differences, and increasing the productivity of individuals by working together. **You will benefit by**: identifying the characteristics of high-performance teams, creating conditions that promote high-performance teams, understanding the role of the supervisor in developing a high-performance team, and developing a written plan to apply the principles of team building to any work group.

**Schedule:** This half-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: New supervisors, group leaders and foremen

**Format:** Video, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance Development

Cost: \$25 for participant materials



#### Supervisory Roles and Responsibilities Overview (HR600)

This introductory course provides the supervisor with an overview of basic supervisory skills and presents a clear definition of both the supervisor's role as a member of Laboratory management and supervisory responsibilities for complying with ANL policies and employment laws governing the workplace. **You will benefit by:** understanding Laboratory expectations for you as a supervisor at Argonne National Laboratory. You will also learn basic supervisory skills for creating positive interactions with your direct reports and effectively managing the performance of your employees.

**Schedule:** This half-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: New supervisors

Format: Facilitated group discussion and case studies

presented by Performance Development

Cost: No cost to division

#### Fitness for Duty (HR226)

Employees are required to report to work fit and able to perform the essential functions of the assigned job. Supervisors are responsible for referring an employee to the Medical Department if there is a concern for that employee's fitness for duty. This course provides supervisors with an awareness of their responsibilities and the support they can receive from other Argonne groups when dealing with fitness for duty situations. It also sensitizes supervisors to the challenges of dealing with the emotions and behaviors of employees when their fitness for duty is questioned. You will benefit by: being introduced to the groups available to help you in fitness for duty situations and learning about the role each group plays, learning how to properly confront an employee whose fitness for duty you question, and learning about your role and responsibility as a supervisor in a fitness for duty situation.

**Schedule:** This half-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 for schedule and cost information. **Who Should Attend:** Managers, supervisors, foremen and/or supervisory personnel responsible for the work and safety of other employees

**Format:** Facilitated group discussion and simulated interactions utilizing professional actors

#### Preventing Sexual Harassment for Supervisors (HR140)

As a supervisor, you have certain responsibilities in addressing sexual harassment in the workplace. Test your knowledge and learn to recognize inappropriate behavior. You will benefit by: learning the difference between friendly behavior versus sexual harassment. You will also gain insight into your responsibilities as a supervisor.

**Schedule:** This two-hour course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3021 for information on future dates.

Who Should Attend: Supervisors, managers, group

leaders, and foremen

Format: Video and facilitated case studies presented by the Diversity Program Office, HR

**Cost:** No cost to division

### PROGRAM AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT

#### High Risk Property Management (HR246)

This course is for all individuals who are responsible for the acquisition, management or disposal of property at Argonne. If your job involves property management, you need to be aware of property items that are considered "high risk" and you need to know who to contact if you have concerns. You will benefit by: developing a basic understanding of high-risk property and proliferationsensitive equipment, materials and technology and reviewing policies, regulations, directives and guidelines that are relevant to high-risk property. You will identify key individuals responsible for high risk property at Argonne, recognize examples of high-risk property likely to be found at Argonne and understand the procedures for high-risk property management at Argonne.

**Schedule:** Call Performance Development at 2-3410 for schedule information.

Who Should Attend: Division property representatives and individuals involved in the acquisition, management or disposal of property

Format: Presentations, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by the Nuclear Material & Technology Security Program, OCF and Office of Safeguards and Security

Cost: No cost to division

#### Program Development (HR242)

Custom designed to assist Federally-funded research and development centers expand their sponsor base in a world of reduced government spending, this course covers a variety of topics to aid participants in developing focused marketing strategies . You will benefit by: learning the methodology, skills, tools, and techniques needed to both establish new business alliances and better manage ongoing sponsor relationships.

**Schedule:** This two-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

Format: Facilitated discussion and group exercises

presented by Lore International Institute

Cost: \$795 with a minimum of 20 participants (cost may

increase with fewer participants)

#### Writing R & D Proposals (HR223)

Maximize your proposal productivity with this course designed for proposal writers in Federally-funded research and development centers. The course offers an understanding of the unique rules and regulations for proposals faced in this environment by presenting a disciplined, simple, and clear approach to preparing a "winning" proposal – one that persuades a sponsor or customer to fund a project. You will benefit by: learning a systematic process to produce a better product in less time. You will learn how to schedule and manage the proposal from beginning to follow-up. You will learn how to package your proposal, giving sponsors or customers a compelling reason to fund your project without sacrificing the integrity of technical or scientific content. The process is flexible and can easily be adapted to any kind of proposal – from small and unstructured to large and rigidly controlled.

**Schedule** This two-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

Format: Facilitated discussion and group exercises presented by Lore International Institute

Cost: \$750 with a minimum of 20 participants (cost may increase with fewer participants)

# Successful Project Management (HR241)

This course is for those who oversee projects, both large and small. **You will benefit by:** developing the insights and skills needed to define, plan and assign work; obtain meaningful commitments; manage risk; monitor and evaluate results; and correct mistakes within approved budgets and schedules. Individual and group exercises provide participants an opportunity to apply these concepts and practice skills.

**Schedule:** This two-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Facilitated discussion and group exercises presented by Arnold M. Ruskin, P.E, Ph.D., *California* 

Institute of Technology

Cost: \$795 with a minimum of 20 participants (cost may

increase with fewer participants)

# Implementing a Project at Argonne (HR239)

Even with the best project management skills, implementing a project at Argonne can be a challenge due to the unique requirements and special regulations with which we must comply. This course is designed to enhance your awareness of the project management support available and the special requirements at Argonne National Laboratory. The course is applicable to anyone involved in managing a project at Argonne, from smaller projects that may involve renovation of an existing space to meet project requirements to larger projects requiring construction. You will benefit by: developing an awareness of the special requirements associated with implementing a project, with specific reference to leadtime required for various milestones, costs associated with various events, and compliance requirements. The course will also enable project originators to identify and work more effectively with project support personnel at Argonne.

**Schedule**: This half-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

Format: Project simulation and facilitated group discussion presented by PFS, ESH, OCF and HR

Cost: No cost to division

# PERSONAL EFFECTIVENESS

#### Time Management (HR486)

We all have twenty-four hours in each day. Why can some people accomplish more? This course will help you assess your current time management habits and examine the issues of choice and control and their impact on time management. You will benefit by: examining several time management techniques and improving your own self-management skills so that you will be able to manage your time more effectively.

Schedule: Wednesday, April 18, 1:00-5:00 p.m. in

Building 201, Room 190

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Video, planning exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance Development

Cost: \$25 for participant materials

#### Facilitating Effective Meetings (HR636)

This course helps you effectively plan a meeting to ensure your goals are accomplished and to elicit full participation of all meeting attendees. **You will benefit by**: applying a six-step meeting process and practicing group facilitation techniques that will help you build consensus, handle conflict and keep meetings on target. You will also learn to deal effectively with difficult group members.

Schedule: Wednesday, May 16, 1:00–5:00 p.m. in

Building 201, Room 190

Who Should Attend: Everyone who must lead or facilitate meetings, work groups, or project teams

Format: Video, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance Development

Cost: \$25 for participant materials



# Sharpening Your Business Writing Skills (HR325)

This course will help you meet the challenge of writing business documents and help enhance the skills you already have. **You will benefit by**: understanding the writing process from getting started to organizing and expressing ideas, understanding the formats of technical writing used in memos, reports, letters and visual aids, learning basic principles of readability, reviewing grammar and punctuation, and drafting documents that get results, gain attention and earn recognition.

**Schedule:** This course is not scheduled this quarter, call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Exercises, writing assignments and facilitated group discussion presented by *College of DuPage* **Cost:** \$250 with a minimum of 10 participants



#### Win The Paper Chase (HR400)

This course presents a systematic approach to dealing with the mountain of papers that end up on our desks on any given day. **You will benefit by:** learning how to set up a classification and label system to achieve fingertip file management, learning how to eliminate the stacks of papers and files that seem to appear overnight on our desks, and learning how to save time searching for papers, increasing productivity and efficiency in both the retrieval of files and desk organization. Note: This is a companion course to Desk for Success.

**Schedule:** This course is not scheduled this quarter, call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Lecture and facilitated group discussion presented by Eileen Roth, *Everything in its Place* **Cost:** \$115 with a minimum of 20 participants

#### Desk For Success (HR401)

This course presents a proven approach to regaining control of your desk and your office.

**You will benefit by:** learning the six principles to organizing your desktop, learning how to create an action file and how to sort mail rapidly, and learning the importance of creating a Personal Reference Book. Note: This is a companion course to *Win The Paper Chase*.

**Schedule:** This course is not scheduled this quarter, call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Lecture and facilitated group discussion presented by Eileen Roth, *Everything in its Place* **Cost:** \$115 with a minimum of 20 participants

# COMMUNICATION COURSES

#### Presentation Excellence (HR532)

This course helps you improve your presentation delivery by providing the techniques to look, sound and feel confident, organized and effective. The course teaches a system of presentation design that will provide you with the ability to organize your data and thoughts in a targeted message. **You will benefit by**: understanding how to control your nerves, discussing how to communicate effectively with your body and voice, and learning how to organize and develop a presentation that meets your objective, how to create visual aids with impact, and how to handle difficult questions.

**Schedule:** This course is not scheduled this quarter, call 2-3410 to be placed on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Facilitated group discussion and videotaped participant presentations presented by Performance Development

Cost: \$25 for participant materials

# Building The Work Relationship (HR630)

This course aids in the understanding of how you perceive others and how others perceive you on the basis of behavioral clues, and what you can learn from those clues about working effectively with others. A profile of your working style will be developed from a brief survey that you will complete. **You will benefit by**: developing an awareness of how to adapt your style to that of others to reduce interpersonal tension within work relationships which will allow for a more collaborative focus on the job.

**Schedule:** This half-day course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3410 to be place on the waitlist.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Personal Profile, video, group exercises and facilitated group discussion presented by Performance

Development

Cost: \$60 for participant materials



# Dealing With Conflict in the Workplace (HR253)

This highly interactive course is designed to help you explore, develop and practice specific conflict management techniques for the workplace as you learn why interpersonal conflict develops and how to avoid it and defuse it once it starts. **You will benefit by**: learning how to recognize and apply strategies for dealing with conflict-prone personalities; developing skills in selecting when, how, and why to prefer various conflict avoidance and conflict management styles, and understanding how to assertively take positions and even disagree with others without provoking conflict.

Schedule: Wednesday, June 27, 8:30-5:00 p.m. in

Building 201, Room 190

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Interactive group discussion, instructor presentation, case study, written exercises presented by

Mark P. Steinberg, *Steinberg & Associates* **Cost:** \$175 with a minimum of 18 participants

### EEO/DIVERSITY

#### Diversity Awareness (HR139)

Do you know what diversity is or how it compares to equal opportunity and affirmative action? Test your own level of diversity awareness. **You will benefit by**: developing an understanding of diversity. You will increase your sensitivity to cultural, gender, and other differences and gain insight into your own behaviors.

**Schedule:** This 2-hour course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3021 for information on future dates.

Who Should Attend: All employees

**Format:** Video, group discussion and facilitated case studies presented by the Diversity Program Office

Cost: No cost to division

#### Preventing Sexual Harassment (HR137)

Do you know what sexual harassment is? Here's an opportunity to test your knowledge and find out what to do if you're the target of such behavior. **You will benefit by**: learning how to identify and address sexual harassment behaviors. You will also learn to differentiate between friendly behavior and sexual harassment.

**Schedule:** This 2-hour course is not scheduled this quarter; call 2-3021 for information on future dates.

Who Should Attend: All employees

Format: Group discussion and facilitated case studies

presented by the Diversity Program Office

**Cost:** No cost to division

# Web-Based Sexual Harassment Module (HR700)

This course is now available on-line in a self-paced version. It can be accessed through the Diversity Program Office Home Page starting at <a href="https://www.hr.anl.gov">www.hr.anl.gov</a>.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE** ASSISTANT/SECRETARIAL

#### Certified Professional Secretary Review: Office Administration (HR327)

This course is a survey of administrative and communication skills for the professional secretary. You will benefit by: learning about office management and organization, executive travel, records management, researching and writing business reports and preparing communications. Note: This course is recommended as one of six courses designed for individuals who wish to raise their level of professionalism in areas included in the Certified Professional Secretaries exam.

**Schedule:** Wednesday and Friday, May 2 – June 1, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Building 201, Room 238

Who Should Attend: Clerical, secretarial and administrative personnel

Format: Textbook assignments and group discussion

presented by Pat Mansfield, Training Consultants Cost: \$210 for participant materials and instruction

### LANGUAGE COURSES

#### Russian Language (HR164)

This course offers both beginning and intermediate coverage of reading, writing, and speaking the Russian language. You will benefit by: learning the Russian language from a native Russian.

Schedule: Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning April 3, 10:30 a.m. for Beginning class and 9:00 a.m. for Intermediate class, in Building 208, Room A262

Who Should Attend: All employees

Format: Exercises, writing assignments and facilitated group discussion presented by Lily Huberman, instructor Cost: \$225 for participant materials and instruction

#### English As A Second Language (HR534)

This course is designed to help non-native speakers improve their English language skills on the job. You will benefit by: addressing your individual language needs through a culturally interactive approach that includes practical listening skills, practical speaking and pronunciation skills and practical writing skills. Note: all new ESL participants must complete a pretest at an additional \$20 charge.

Schedule: Tuesday and Thursday, April 10 - May 31, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Building 201, Room 238

Who Should Attend: All employees

Format: Exercises, writing assignments and facilitated group discussion presented the College of DuPage **Cost:** \$250 per participant for books and instruction based on 10 participants (cost may increase with fewer participants)

### **BROWN BAG LUNCH SEMINARS**

Consider attending one of the following brown bag lunch seminars and improving an area of your professional or personal life. These seminars are for anyone who wishes to enrich their life with a great learning experience. The seminars are presented by Pat Mansfield Training Consultants via lecture and facilitated group discussion. The cost is \$40 per participant for each seminar.

### Improving Work Relationships (HR238)

This seminar will help you create more positive work relationships, better people skills and learn why peer relationships can be difficult. It will also discuss how to effectively negotiate with colleagues and coworkers.

Schedule: Thursday, June 7, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Building 201, Room 238

#### Unlock Your Creativity (HR235)

This seminar will help you uncover creative potential and apply it on the job by identifying and breaking through blocks to creativity.

Schedule: Thursday, April 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Building 201, Room 172







With busy work schedules and differing learning styles some of us are not able, or not inclined, to attend instructor-led courses. Internet-based programs and CD courses may provide the answer to your development needs.

#### **Effective Writing**

This CD-based workshop helps you write reports and compose letters and memos that demand attention and get results. Working at your own pace, you will learn how to better define your audience, organize your ideas and draft and polish the final document. Estimated completion time is three hours.

**To Reserve:** Contact Performance Development at 2-3410

Cost: \$30 per ten-day reservation

If you are interested in additional CD-based courses, contact our Performance Development office at extension 2-3410.



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# Earn your Certified Professional Secretary rating – enroll in:

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Call Performance Development at 2-3410 for more information

#### **Instructions For Enrollment**

The HR-PD class schedules are available on-line on the Performance Development web page under Human Resources. Select "On-site Training Courses" and then "Class Schedules".

The **Spring Schedule** contains descriptions of ANL-E courses offered through Human Resources/Performance Development during **April, May and June 2001**.

To enroll in courses:

- **1.** Discuss with and obtain approval through your division/department office;
- 2. Complete the enrollment form found on this page (be sure to obtain the appropriate cost code and signature);
- 3. Give the completed form to your Training Management System (TMS)
  Representative. You must be enrolled through the TMS system to officially reserve a space in any course. (NOTE: TMS Representative should forward a copy of any form containing cost code information to Betty Iwan, Performance Development, Human Resources, 201)
- 4. If you are unable to attend a course, please cancel your enrollment at least 7 days prior to the session or arrange for someone else in your division to attend in your absence. Failure to do so will result in your division/department being charged for the course. Courses with deadlines will be charged if cancelled after the deadline date.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** If you require any special accommodation or want to inquire about the accessibility of a conference room, please call Performance Development at 2-3410.

#### **ENROLLMENT FORM**

TMS Representative.	
Course Number	
Course Name	
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course	
TMS Representatives: Please forward enrollment	
form to Betty Iwan, Performance Development, HR,	
Building 201 or fax to Betty at 2-5040.	